

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, line 18 through page 2, line 2 have been amended as follows:

In accordance with a first aspect of the invention, a pair of hairdressing scissors ~~comprising~~ **includes** two cutting members pivotally connected together. Each cutting member includes a handle having a first side and a second side. A first groove is defined in the first side of each handle, and a second groove is defined in the second side of each handle. A magnetic member is mounted in each first groove in a manner that the magnetic member has an exposed portion outside the respective handle. The exposed portion of each magnetic member of the pair of hairdressing scissors is adapted to be securely engaged with a second groove of a respective handle of ~~another~~ **a** pair of similarly constructed hairdressing scissors.

Page 2, lines 10-17 have been amended as follows:

In accordance with a second aspect of the invention, a pair of hairdressing scissors comprises two cutting members pivotally connected together. Each cutting member includes a handle having a through-hole extending from a first side thereof through a second side thereof. A magnetic member is mounted in each through-hole. The magnetic members of the pair of hairdressing scissors ~~[[and]]~~ **are adapted to attract** magnetic members of ~~another~~ **a** pair of similarly constructed hairdressing scissors ~~attract each other~~, thereby connecting the pair of hairdressing scissors and ~~another~~ **the** pair of similarly constructed hairdressing scissors together.

Page 3, lines 11-12 have been amended as follows:

Fig. 7 is a side view, partly sectioned, of plural pairs of hairdressing scissors in accordance with ~~[[the]]~~ **a** fifth embodiment of the present invention.

Page 3, between lines 12 and 13, please insert as follows:

**Fig. 8 is a side view, partly sectioned, of plural pairs of hairdressing scissors in accordance with a sixth embodiment of the present invention.**

Page 3, line 19 through page 4, line 12 have been amended as follows:

Each handle 13 has a first groove 132 in a first side thereof and a second groove 133 in a second side thereof. Preferably, the first groove 132 has a depth equal to that of the second groove 133. A magnetic member 14 is mounted in the respective first groove 132, with a portion of the magnetic member 14 being exposed outside the handle 13 (see the exposed portion 141 in Fig. 1). In this embodiment, the respective magnetic member 14 has a thickness twice as a depth of the groove 132 ~~[[,]]~~ **or** 133. Alternatively, the respective magnetic member 14 has a thickness that is the sum of the depth of the first groove 132 and the depth of the second groove 133 in a case that the depth of the second groove 133 differs

from that of the first groove 132. Thus, the exposed portion 141 of the respective magnetic member 14 of a pair of hairdressing scissors 1 is fittingly received in the respective second groove 133 of another pair of hairdressing scissors 1, thereby connecting the two pairs of hairdressing scissors 1 together. By repeating this connecting operation, plural pairs of hairdressing scissors 1 can be connected together, as shown in Fig. 2. Since the cutting members 11 and 12 are generally made of steel or the like, the magnetic members 14 provide attraction for preventing disengagement of adjacent two pairs of hairdressing scissors unless a relatively **large** force is applied to overcome the magnetic attraction and the engaging force between the magnetic members 14 and the peripheries delimiting the first and second grooves 132 and 133.

Page 5, lines 1-9 have been amended as follows:

Each handle 23 has a through-hole 232 in which a magnetic member 24 is securely mounted. The respective magnetic member ~~[[14]]~~ **24** has a thickness equal to a depth of the respective through-hole 232. Thus, two pairs of hairdressing scissors 2 can be easily connected together through mutual attraction of the magnetic members 24 respectively of the two pairs of hairdressing scissors 2. Detachment of the two pairs of hairdressing scissors 2 can be easily accomplished by applying a force sufficiently large to overcome the magnetic attraction between the magnetic members 24. Thus, the user may combine plural pairs of hairdressing scissors according to need.

Page 6, lines 4-7 have been amended as follows:

~~Although not specifically shown in the figures, in the hairdressing scissors shown in Figs. 4 through 6,~~ **Fig. 8 illustrates a sixth embodiment of the present invention, wherein** the respective magnetic member ~~14 may have~~ **24 has** a thickness greater than the depth of the respective through-hole 232 without adversely affecting its function.